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Pamela R. Contag., et al.

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Filed: April 18, 1997

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Response to Restriction Requirement

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 1998 in the above-identified application, the applicant makes the following elections.

The Examiner has divided the claims into the following groups: I. Claims 1-9, and 16, drawn to a biodetector, classified in class 424, subclass 93.1. II. Claims 10-15, 17-20, drawn to a method for detection of a selected substance, classified in class 435, subclass 4.

The applicant elects to begin prosecution with examination of Group 1, Claims 1-9, and 16 without traverse.

No fees are believed due in connection with this response. However, should fees be found to be due in respect thereof, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge such fee or fees to Deposit Account No.: 50-0652. This communication is submitted in duplicate.

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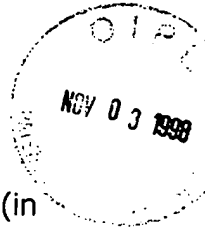
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